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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action, dated October 26, 2006, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections and the allowance of the present application in light of the remarks that follow.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.